



Celebrate  
200 Years of Tradition . . .  
The 1992 United States  
Mint Uncirculated  
Coin Set





# Celebrating 200 Years of Dedicated Service

The proud tradition and history of the United States Mint spans the period from 1792 to the present.

## The Early Years

Under the Mint's first Director, David Rittenhouse, coin production began in a small house on the east side of Seventh Street in Philadelphia. The U.S. Mint issued over 1.2 million copper cents and half-cents during its initial operating period between March 1793 and December 1795. By comparison, in recent years, U.S. Mint coin production has averaged approximately 17 billion coins.

## The Demand for Coinage Grows

The 19th century saw the U.S. Mint expand from a single production facility to a network of regional mints. The Act of July 3, 1852 established the San Francisco Mint. The Old San Francisco Mint, now known affectionately as the "Granite Lady," served long and well, even providing refuge to frightened citizens after firmly withstanding the devastating 1906 earthquake and fire. The current San Francisco Mint facility opened in 1937.



*The original Philadelphia mint.*



*The Denver Mint*

New Orleans, Louisiana; Charlotte, North Carolina; and,



*The New Orleans Mint*

## The United States Mint Today

The Mint now consists of its headquarters in Washington, D.C., four production facilities in Philadelphia, Denver, San Francisco, and West Point, New York, and the United States Bullion Depository at Fort Knox, Kentucky.

The Denver Mint opened its doors in 1863 as an assay office. Also established as a mint in 1863, but designated an assay office in 1866, the Carson City Mint resumed minting coins in 1889 until its closing in 1933. Today it is a museum.

Prior to the Civil War, three mints were established in the South: New Orleans, Louisiana; Charlotte, North Carolina; and, Dahlonega, Georgia. All three were confiscated by Confederate forces during the war with only the New Orleans Mint resuming coinage production after the war. Today, the New Orleans and Charlotte mints are museums.



## Rich in Heritage Richly Rewarding

1832 Capped Bust  
Half Dollar, 1853  
Liberty Seated  
Half Dollar,  
1862 Indian  
Head One-  
Cent Coin.



Nation.

### From the Very Beginning

Over the years United States coins have been highly regarded for both their outstanding design and unique representation of a growing nation. There have been many varieties of coins produced — a few of which are shown here. The diversity of our Nation's coinage is briefly depicted on these pages.



1878 Liberty Head or Morgan Silver Dollar,  
1883 Liberty Head or "V" Nickel (reverse),  
1888 Indian Princess 3-dollar Gold Coin (reverse),  
1901 Liberty Head or Coronet Five-Dollar,  
Half-Eagle Gold Coin, 1907 Liberty Head  
or Barber Quarter.

An 1800 Draped Bust  
Silver Dollar. This design  
was minted from 1800-1808.

Our Nation traces its coinage beginnings back to April 2, 1792, with the founding of the United States Mint. Since that time, a remarkable number and variety of coins have been struck, symbolizing the freedom we cherish, and the strength and leadership of our

An 1875 Trade Silver  
Dollar. Minted for 13 years  
to compete with foreign dollar size coins.



Head Five-  
Dollar Gold  
Coin, 1917  
Liberty  
Walking Half  
Dollar, 1923 Peace Silver  
Dollar, 1925 Standing Liberty  
Quarter, 1938 Indian Head or Buffalo  
Nickel, 1943 Winged Liberty Head or  
Mercury Dime.

## Tradition down through time . . .

1909  
Lincoln  
or Wheat  
One-  
Cent  
Coin,  
1909  
Indian

Head Five-  
Dollar Gold  
Coin, 1917  
Liberty

Walking Half  
Dollar, 1923 Peace Silver  
Dollar, 1925 Standing Liberty  
Quarter, 1938 Indian Head or Buffalo  
Nickel, 1943 Winged Liberty Head or  
Mercury Dime.

### Tracing Our Numismatic History

Since the beginning of our coinage system, "Liberty" has been a constant theme on United States coinage. Many coins bear attractive images of Liberty — such as liberty seated, standing, walking, and even winged. Both new and long-time collectors delight in these symbolic expressions of America's love for freedom and liberty.

First introduced in 1947 and originally  
packaged in cardboard, the U.S. Mint  
Uncirculated Coin Sets provide collectors with a snapshot  
in time of U.S. coinage.  
NOTE - the San Francisco Mint did not produce half-dollars in 1947.

Beginning with the 1793 Liberty Cap half cent and one-cent coins, a wealth of coinage history followed. The 1864 two-cent coins were the first to contain the motto "In God We Trust." The twenty-cent pieces were short-lived — only minted during 1875-1878. By contrast, the popular Indian Head or Buffalo gold, copper and nickel coins were very prominent for nearly a century.

1964 Uncirculated Coin Set.



The modern era of coinage focuses on many of our prominent leaders. The finest artistic beauty is presented in our coinage displaying Washington, Jefferson, Franklin, Lincoln, Roosevelt, Eisenhower and Kennedy.

### A Proud Tradition

The United States Mint introduced uncirculated coin sets in 1947, and has proudly

produced millions for collectors in 40 of the past 46 years. The sets themselves possess a brief but rich history. The number of coins the sets contain, the number of mint facilities producing them, and the type of packaging created to protect them have varied over the years. Uncirculated sets have become a proud tradition of the United States Mint.

1976 Special 3-Coin Uncirculated Coin  
Set and 1976 12-Coin Uncirculated Coin  
Set.



## The 1992 United States Mint Uncirculated Coin Set



The finest craftsmanship is represented in United States coinage, and this year's Uncirculated Set is no exception. Produced at the Philadelphia and Denver Mints, the 1992 Uncirculated Set contains two each of the Kennedy Half Dollar, Washington Quarter, Roosevelt Dime, Jefferson Nickel, and Lincoln Cent, plus mint

The 1992 Uncirculated Set comes to you sealed in Mylar® packaging to preserve its finely crafted satin-like finish.





## How to Order 1992 Uncirculated Coin Sets

To order your 1992 United States Mint Uncirculated Coin Set, complete the enclosed order card. Place the card and your remittance in the pre-addressed envelope provided for your convenience. Please read the reverse side of the enclosed order form.

When you place your order, be sure to remember your friends and relatives — Uncirculated Coin Sets make unique gifts. We have also provided you with a pass-along order form to allow you to share this special opportunity with others.

If you have questions about your order, please contact:

Customer Service Center  
United States Mint  
10001 Aerospace Drive  
Lanham, Maryland 20706  
(301) 436-7400



Office hours: Monday – Friday, 9AM – 5PM, Eastern Time

## About Our New Price

We are offering the 1992 Uncirculated Set at the same price you have paid over the past eight years. However, rising costs necessitate an increase in the price of the 1992 Uncirculated Coin Sets and other products. We are offering the 1992 Uncirculated Coin Set at the longstanding price of \$7 for orders postmarked no later than June 30, 1992, after which the new price of \$8 will go into effect. So, plan ahead for all of your 1992 gift-giving occasions by ordering now and taking advantage of the low price. See the enclosed order form for more details.



**A Message from the  
Deputy Director of  
the United States Mint**

Dear Mint Customer:

This year marks a very special milestone for the Mint — our 200th anniversary. Since its beginning in 1792 the U.S. Mint has continued to meet the coinage needs of the nation and the collector.

We are enthusiastic about another busy year. The 1992 Uncirculated Coin Set Program is the third of the Mint's coin programs this year. We have already embarked on the exciting 1992 Olympic Commemorative Coin Program and the 1992 Proof Coin Set Program. Soon we will be launching the first Silver Proof Coin Set since 1964.

This year's Uncirculated Coin Set is being introduced at the longstanding price of \$7 for a limited time. Unfortunately, rising costs have necessitated a price increase. To give you the opportunity to take advantage of last year's price, orders postmarked no later than June 30, 1992 will qualify for the \$7 price per set. After July 1, 1992, the price increases to \$8 per set.

In purchasing your 1992 Uncirculated Coin Set, I hope you will join with us in celebrating our Bicentennial — 200 years of proud public service to America.

We thank all of you, our valued customers, for your support and loyalty over the years.

Sincerely,

Eugene H. Essner  
Deputy Director of the Mint

P.S. Order extra sets early at the old price.